Minutes of the September 15, 2020 Special Meeting of the Yancey County Board Of Commissioners Held at 5:00 pm in the Commissioners Meeting Room Yancey County Courthouse, Burnsville North Carolina

Present at the meeting held September 15, 2020 were Commissioner Mark Ledford, Commissioner David Grindstaff, Commissioner Jill Austin, Commissioner Johnny Riddle, County Manager Lynn Austin, County Attorney Donny Laws, and Clerk to the Board Sonya Morgan. Chairman Jeff Whitson was absent from the meeting.

Call to Order

Vice Chairman Mark Ledford called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Agenda

Vice Chairman Ledford asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Riddle made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Austin seconded the motion. By unanimous vote the agenda was approved. (Attachment A)

Mountain Community Health Partnership (MCHP)

Present and representing Mountain Community Health Partnership (MCHP) were Chuck Shelton, LaCosta Tipton, Tim Evans, and Josh Newton. County Manager Austin began the discussion saying she had contacted and had conversations with MCHP earlier this year to discuss alternatives to participating in a health district. She said she had learned that Toe River Health District was one of the three districts in the state and expressed concerns that counties were only required to give a 60-day notice of their intent to pull out of the district. County Manager Austin indicated the meeting was held to gather information to be prepared and know what options are available. Mr. Shelton indicated MCHP is a federally qualified health center that receives \$1.4 million in a three year grant period in funding, as well as from Medicare, Medicaid, and the commercially insured. MCHP representatives reviewed the services provided. A discussion ensued regarding the possible relationship with MCHP and services that could be provided in Yancey County. County Attorney Donny Laws advised counties could only leave a health district at the end of a fiscal year and reviewed some of the requirements for provision of services by accredited health department employees. Vice Chairman Ledford recapped the discussions including that county management would investigate the matter further and come up with a plan or proposal to be presented to the Board.

Adjournment

Having no further business, Commissioner Riddle made a motion to adjourn, with Commissioner Austin seconding the motion. The Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to adjourn.

Approved and authenticated this the 12th day of October 2020.

Jeff Whitson, Chairman

Mark Ledford, Vice Chairman

Jill Austin, Commissioner

Sonya Morgan, Clerk to the Board



David Grindstaff, Commissioner

Johnny Riddle, Commissioner

Attachment A



AGENDA YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 15, 2020 5:00 PM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Agenda
- III. Mountain Community Health Partnership (MCHP)
- IV. Adjourn